# NEW HAMPSHIRE ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE INCENTIVES AND LAWS

## **Overview**

New Hampshire does not offer any incentives or rebates for alternative fuel vehicles (AFVs), but does have mandates requiring public and private entities to purchase a percentage of inherently low emission vehicles (ILEVs).

### State Incentives

New Hampshire has no incentives to promote the use of AFVs. For more information, contact Jonathon Osgood, Governor's Office of Energy and Community Service, at (603) 271-2711.

## **Utility/Private Incentives**

<u>Bay State Gas Company</u> has a preferential fuel rate of 60¢/gasoline gallon equivalent (gge) for natural gas used to fuel a motor vehicle. Bay State Gas Company will install loaner conversion kits for vehicles to allow fleet customers to try natural gas as a vehicle fuel. Contact Gary Robinson at (508) 836-7188 for additional information.

## Laws & Regulations

Senate Bill (SB) 788 (1994) is a substitute program of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (CAAA) Clean Fuel Fleet Program and requires certain utilities and federal, state, municipal, and private entities to purchase a percentage of ILEVs according to the following schedule:

Utilities	<u>Year</u>	<u>Light Duty</u>	Heavy Duty
	1997	30%	-
	1998	50%	50%
	1999	70%	50%
	2000	90%	90%
	Thereafter	90%	90%
State	1997	15%	-
	1998	30%	50%
	1999	50%	50%
	2000	75%	50%
	Thereafter	75%	50%
Federal	1995	25%	25%
	1996	50%	50%
	1997	66%	66%
	1998	75%	75%
	1999	90%	90%
	Thereafter	90%	90%
Municipal/Private	1998	-	50%
-	1999	30%	50%
	2000	50%	50%
	2001	70%	50%

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## Laws & Regulations (cont.)

An inter-governmental committee to study alternative transportation fuels was required by law. The committee studied and developed incentives to promote the use of compressed natural gas (CNG), propane, electricity, ethanol, methanol, reformulated gasoline (RFG), solar, and hydrogen for transportation purposes. The committee created SB 788. The final report was issued October 18, 1994.

House Bill 1267 provides an advisory committee to the statewide mass transportation and air quality projects planning study being conducted by the Department of Transportation.

SB 768 allows for the electric and gas utilities to provide rates, terms, and conditions for the sale of electricity and natural gas for motor vehicle use. The purpose of this law is to "promote the utilization of electric and natural gas vehicles."

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